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MULTIRESOURCE INVENTORIES: TECHNIQUES FOR ESTIMATING BIOMASS

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ABSTRACT.--Multiresource inventory data of Minnesota are used to develop a technique for estimating biomass on a statewide basis. The model describes the kinds and sources of data needed to predict standing aboveground biomass, and provides definitions of area base and biomass components. The results represent the distribution and quantity of biomass on commercial forest, noncommercial forest, and nonforest areas.

Traditionally, State and regional forest inventories have been designed to estimate the volume of wood in trees 5.0 inches and larger, diameter at breast height (DBH), and form a 1-foot stump to a 4.0-inch top diameter outside bark growing on commercial forest land. These merchantability stands are no longer adequate for assessing the resource. Estimates of crown volume are needed for nutrient cycling studies and wildlife habitat evaluations, and to determine site productivity and forest fire hazards (Phillips and Cost 1997).

BIOMASS MODEL

To develop a biomass model, Renewable Resources Evaluation (RRE) expanded the multiresource inventory across all areas in Minnesota and made maximum use of established inventory methods. Thus, RRE could use its existing computer and data management system, maps, aerial photographs, coding systems, and field crews.

BIOMASS DEFINITIONS

As stated in *A Dictionary of Biology*, nomenclature creates a major problem in quantifying biomass on a statewide basis (Abercorbie and others 1964). Notes in some of the more recent research studies highlight the difficulties in exchange of data due to the diverse biomass applications (Beasley 1979, Hitchcock and McDonnell 1979, Vasievich and Hobrila 2001).

Definitions for understory vegetation and tree foliage were taken from a vegetative profile study (Cost 1979, McClure and others 1979). Terms from the two studies blend perfectly so that a complete description of total standing biomass can be obtained.

Forest Land

Commercial Forest Land

Forest land at least 1 acre in size and producing, or capable of producing, crops of industrial wood and not withdrawn from timber utilization.

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Unproductive Forest Land

Forest land is capable of producing 20 cubic feet per acre of industrial wood under natural conditions because of adverse site conditions. Unproductive forest land can be highly productive for wildlife management (Adams 1947, Sampson 1980, Bull 1981).

Total Biomass

The 37.4 million acres of commercial forest, noncommercial forest, and nonforest in Florida support over 2.5 trillion pounds of green biomass. Of the 2.5 trillion pounds of biomass, 74 percent is in wood and bark, 8 percent is in tree foliage, and 18 percent is in other vegetation. The percentage of biomass supported by commercial forest, noncommercial forest, and nonforest uses is shown in Figure 1.

The quantity of biomass in each broad use category is highly dependent upon the acreage within the State as well as the concentration of material on these acres (fig. 1). In interpreting biomass quantities, therefore, it is helpful to know how many acres are in each category.

Species Groups

Table 1 shows the distribution of wood and bark associated with nonforest use, by selected species groups. Eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus* L.) is the leading pine and contains over half of the pine biomass.

Twenty-nine percent of the nonforest area consists of marsh and water, 21 percent improved pasture, 17 percent urban and other, 16 percent cropland, 13 percent rangeland, 3 percent idle farmland, and 1 percent other farmland (table 2).

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Table 1.—*Species, volume, height, diameter and basal area for four study areas in Minnesota.*

Study area	Species	Volume	Height	Diameter	Basal area
		<i>Ft</i> ³	<i>Ft</i>	<i>In</i>	<i>Ft</i> ² / <i>ac</i>
Upper slope	Aspen	319	19.5	1.08	39.4
Upper slope	All ¹	--	--	1.04	42.6
Lower slope	Aspen	341	19.5	1.15	42.7
Lower slope	All	--	--	1.11	45.0

¹Includes aspen and all other species found on the site.

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Figure 1.—*Percentage of all forest holdings by size of landowner and forest tract in Minnesota.*

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